

**PETITION FOR REVIVAL OF AN APPLICATION FOR PATENT ABANDONED  
UNINTENTIONALLY UNDER 37 CFR 1.137(b)**

Docket Number (Optional)

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Application No.: 09/039,176

Group Art Unit: 2754

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Examiner: D. Davis

Title: METHOD OF AND APPARATUS FOR EXPANDING FUNCTIONALITY OF VEHICLE  
CASSETTE TAPE-PLAYER DECKS TO PERMIT DICTATION OR OTHER RECORDING  
AND AUTOMATIC REMOTE STATION RELAYING OF THE SAME

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- (1) Petition fee;
- (2) Reply and/or issue fee;
- (3) Terminal disclaimer with disclaimer fee -- required for all utility and plant applications filed  
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- (4) Statement that the entire delay was unintentional.

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- ☐ Small entity - fee \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (37 CFR 1.17(m))
- ☐ Small entity statement enclosed herewith.
- ☒ Small entity statement previously filed.
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**2. Reply and/or fee**

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- ☒ has been filed previously on April 4, 2000
- ☐ is enclosed herewith.

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- ☐ has been paid previously on \_\_\_\_\_
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4. Statement. The entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the required reply until the filing of a grantable petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b) was unintentional.

May 2, 2000

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